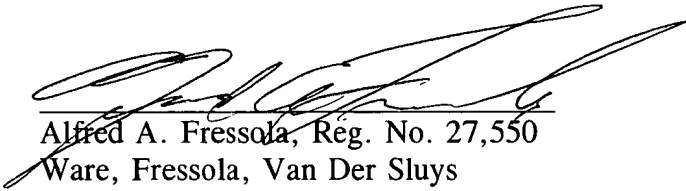


Remarks

This preliminary amendment is filed for the purpose of placing the application into standard U.S. format. Consideration and allowance of the claims is earnestly solicited. Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made."

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VERSION WITH MARKING TO SHOW CHANGES MADEIn the Specification:

Paragraph beginning at line 9 of page 2 has been amended as follows:

[characterised in that] wherein it includes:

- . a back plate, the cathode plate being carried on the front side of the back plate; and
- . a frame connecting the back plate to the anode plate.

In the Abstract of the Disclosure:

On page, the Abstract of the Disclosure has been amended as follows:

## Abstract of the Disclosure

[VISUAL DISPLAY]

A visual display has a cathode plate 101, having an emission layer 102 built up on a ceramic front layer. It has a thicker foundation layer 103. Vias from the front layer have their pitch fanned out to that of the cathode-plate back-layer vias 104. Other main components of the visual display are a frame 111, a back plate 112 and an anode 114 plate. The back plate and the frame are integrally formed of a number of layers of tape cast ceramic material. The back plate has a via and interconnect fan-out. The frame also has a via and interconnect arrangement for making electrical connection to the anode plate.--.

[Figure 1]